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#### Currentness

# (a) Definition of floating cabin

In this section, the term "floating cabin" means a watercraft or other floating structure--

- (1) primarily designed and used for human habitation or occupation; and
- (2) not primarily designed or used for navigation or transportation on water.

# (b) Recreational access

The Board may allow the use of a floating cabin if--

- (1) the floating cabin is maintained by the owner to reasonable health, safety, and environmental standards, as required by the Board;
- (2) the Corporation has authorized the use of recreational vessels on the waters; and
- (3) the floating cabin was located on waters under the jurisdiction of the Corporation as of December 16, 2016.

## (c) Fees

The Board may levy fees on the owner of a floating cabin on waters under the jurisdiction of the Corporation for the purpose of ensuring compliance with subsection (b) if the fees are necessary and reasonable for such purpose.

## (d) Continued recreational use

## (1) In general

With respect to a floating cabin located on waters under the jurisdiction of the Corporation on December 16, 2016, the Board--

- (A) may not require the removal of the floating cabin--
  - (i) in the case of a floating cabin that was granted a permit by the Corporation before December 16, 2016, for a period of 15 years beginning on December 16, 2016; and
  - (ii) in the case of a floating cabin not granted a permit by the Corporation before December 16, 2016, for a period of 5 years beginning on December 16, 2016; and
- (B) shall approve and allow the use of the floating cabin on waters under the jurisdiction of the Corporation at such time and for such duration as--
  - (i) the floating cabin meets the requirements of subsection (b); and
  - (ii) the owner of the floating cabin has paid any fee assessed pursuant to subsection (c).

# (2) Savings provisions

- (A) Nothing in this subsection restricts the ability of the Corporation to enforce reasonable health, safety, or environmental standards.
- (B) This section applies only to floating cabins located on waters under the jurisdiction of the Corporation.

#### (e) New construction

The Corporation may establish regulations to prevent the construction of new floating cabins.

## CREDIT(S)

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